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TO

Amend the Law relating to Technical Education in Ireland. A.D. 1895.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the law relating to technical instruction in Ireland, and to make better provision for technical instruction in Ireland :

Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows :

1. Section one, sub-sections (a), (d), (e), and (f), of fifty-two and fifty-three Victoria, chapter seventy-six, are hereby repealed so far as they relate to Ireland.

*Repeal of
sec. 1(a), (d),
(e), and (f)
of 52 & 53
Vict. c. 76.*

2.—(a.) The local authority shall not out of the local rate, or any grant in aid from the Science and Art Department, supply or aid the supply of technical or manual instruction to scholars receiving instruction at any elementary school, who have not received a certificate from the National Board that they can read and write, and that they have qualified in arithmetic.

*Aid by local
authorities to
technical
instruction
out of local
rates.*

(b.) A local authority may out of any local rate raised in pursuance of the said last-recited Act, or out of any other funds placed as its disposal for the purpose of technical instruction within the meaning of the Technical Instruction Acts, make provision in aid of technical and manual instruction for the time being supplied in schools or institutions approved of by the Science and Art Department within its district, to such extent as may be reasonably sufficient, having regard to the requirements of its district, but subject to the conditions and restrictions contained in this section.

(c.) When such school or institution receives aid from the local authority in pursuance of this section, the local authority may, for the purposes of the Technical Instruction Acts, be represented on the governing body of the school or institute, except, in cases contemplated by section four.

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(d.) No provision out of any rate raised in pursuance of this Act shall be made in aid of technical or manual instruction in any school conducted for private profit.

Power for local authorities to combine for the purpose of providing and maintaining technical instruction.

3. Any two or more local authorities may combine together for the purpose of providing and maintaining technical instruction within the meaning of the Technical Instruction Acts common to the districts of such local authorities, and the joint local authorities shall have all the powers within their joint districts conferred upon individual local authorities by the Technical Instruction Acts and by this Act, including power to appoint committees for such joint districts, consisting wholly or partly of members of the joined local authorities, and to delegate to such joint committees any powers exercisable by them under the said Acts, except the power of levying a rate or borrowing money.

Saving of powers of National Board of Education, &c.

4. Nothing in this Act shall be construed so as to interfere with the powers of the Board of National Education, or with the managers of national schools, with respect to the provision of technical and manual instruction in the schools under their charge.

Power for local authorities in certain cases to grant aid to technical schools established by other local authorities.

5.—(a.) A rural local authority may apply the rate levied under the Technical Instruction Acts, or the grants in aid from the Science and Art Department, by giving the amount thereof, or any part thereof, to any urban local authority within its district for the purpose of being applied by such authority under the Technical Instruction Acts.

(b.) An urban local authority may apply the rate levied under the Technical Instruction Acts, or the grants in aid from the Science and Art Department, by giving the amount thereof, or any part thereof, to any rural local authority in whose district it may be situate, for the purpose of being applied by such authority under the Technical Instruction Acts.

Application of moneys received by local authorities from the Science and Art Department. Grants in aid of technical instruction in Ireland.

6. Any money received by a local authority from the Science and Art Department for the purpose of technical instruction shall, although not expended in whole or in part before the end of the financial year then ensuing, remain applicable for such purposes.

7.—(a.) A sum of *shall be paid annually to the Science and Art Department, out of moneys to be provided by Parliament, for the purposes of establishing, maintaining, or aiding technical instruction in Ireland, in accordance with the provisions of the Technical Instruction Acts. Such sum shall be in addition to any sums now paid to the Department for expenditure upon science and art instruction in Ireland.*

(b.) *The Science and Art Department shall have power out of the moneys so paid to them to make provision for training science, art, and technical teachers for Ireland, to establish either separately or in connexion with existing educational institutions classes where*
5 *technical, agricultural, commercial, and veterinary instruction may be given, and to make grants in aid of technical, science, and art instruction to local authorities under the Technical Instruction Acts; and such grants shall be subject to such conditions as may be prescribed in the minutes of the Department in force for the time*
10 *being.*

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